



STATE OF WISCONSIN – JUDICIAL COUNCIL

AGENDA

WISCONSIN JUDICIAL COUNCIL
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2023 – 9:30 A.M.
WISCONSIN STATE CAPITOL
ROOM 328NW
MADISON, WISCONSIN

**Members wishing to call in should call
(339) 209-6255 at 9:30 a.m. on 11/18/22. There is no Access Code.**

- I. Roll Call and approval of the Minutes from January 20, 2022.**
- II. Reports by Committees:**
 - A.** Ms. Margo Kirchner, Chair of the ad hoc Committee on the “Council Corner” (a monthly report to the State Bar on the work of the Council).
 - B.** Mr. Thomas Shriner, Chair of the Council’s Standing Committee on Evidence and Civil Procedure.
 - C.** Judge Thomas Hruz, Chair of the Council’s Standing Committee on Appellate Procedure.
 - D.** Report of the Council’s Standing Committee on Criminal Procedure (if available).
- III. Status report on Uniform Unsworn Declarations Act.**

Review status of Council’s 2018 recommendation to the Legislature to adopt the Uniform Unsworn Declarations Act as amendment to current Wis. Stat. § 887.015 (Uniform Unsworn Foreign Declarations Act).
- IV. Update (if any) on funding for Judicial Council.**
- V. Foreign Service of Process**

At our October 2022 meeting, the JC decided to address some issues as a “Committee of the Whole” instead of farming all issues out to the standing

committees. The JC proceeded to discuss the problems presented by foreign service of process, and tentatively concluded that:

- a. Wisconsin's law regarding service of process should probably be amended to allow service of process in whatever fashion is allowed by the Hague Convention in the Country where service is being sought, and
- b. Wisconsin's law should provide for a mechanism to allow courts to extend the time for foreign service when the plaintiff has been unable to secure service despite reasonable efforts to do so.

The Chair appointed an ad hoc subcommittee to study and report how other states handle service overseas. (See Minutes of October 2022 Meeting for details). We anticipate a Report from that ad hoc subcommittee and further discussion, as follows:

A. Report of Committee regarding how other states handle foreign service of process. (Members: Gasiorkiewicz, Zylstra & Gleisner)

B. Further Discussion and Action regarding Foreign Service of Process

VI. Adjournment.

PUBLIC NOTICE

All meetings of the Judicial Council and its committees are open to the public. The Council's February 17, 2023 meeting will only take place in person in Room 328NW of the Capitol Building. There will be no Zoom access to this meeting. Subject to limits imposed by the size of Room 328NW, members of the public are welcome. However, if any member of the public disrupts the meeting in any way, security will be called, and the disrupting member will be asked to leave. For more information, please contact the Chair of the Judicial Council, Mr. Gleisner, at 414-651-3182 or gleisnerwilliam@gmail.com.